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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

INVENTOR:	**Junichi HIRAKATA, Kikuo ONO and Akira SHINGAI**
FOR:	**LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE**

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Enclosed are:

- ☒ 26 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ Notice to claim priority dates of November 30, 2000; May 30, 2001 and August 30, 2001.
- ☐ Applicant requests non-publication.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd. and Hitachi Device Engineering Co. Ltd.
- ☒ An Executed Declaration
- ☒ The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL CLAIMS	41	-20	21	x$18 =	378.00
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REQUEST FOR PRIORITY
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority dates of November 30, 2000; May 30, 2001 and August 30, 2001, the filing dates of the corresponding Japanese patent applications 2000-365138, 2001-162392 and 2001-261777.

The certified copies of corresponding Japanese patent applications 2000-365138, 2001-162392 and 2001-261777 will be submitted when received from applicant. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copies is respectfully requested in due course.

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